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Re:

Docket No. 2017-10

Exemptions to Prohibition Against Circumvention of Technological

Measures Protecting Copyrighted Works

Dear Witnesses:

Thank you for your participation in the recent hearings related to Proposed Class 1 (audiovisual works - criticism and comment) as part of the Copyright Office's Section 1201 rulemaking proceeding. As a follow up to certain matters discussed at the hearing, we would like to provide you with an opportunity to provide written responses to the following question:

1. At the hearings, participants gave multiple presentations on whether screen capture is or is not a sufficient alternative to circumvention. Based on these presentations, the Office is interested in understanding whether screen capture is a sufficient alternative to circumvention for educational uses of "short portions of the motion pictures" beyond film studies or other courses requiring close analysis of film and media excerpts. Please provide illustrative examples of whether screen capture is or is not a sufficient alternative to circumvention for use of "short portions of the motion pictures," for educational purposes. In responding, please consider or reference any specific needs of current exemption beneficiaries, such as

university faculty and students; faculty of massive open online courses; kindergarten through twelfth-grade educators, including of accredited general educational development (GED) programs; and/or educators and participants in nonprofit digital and media literacy programs offered by libraries, museums and other nonprofit entities with an educational mission, in the course of face-to-face instructional activities

Please provide your responses no later than the close of business Monday, June 11, 2018. Such responses should identify the responding party and the proposed class at issue, and should be no more than fifteen pages in length. Please note that no further exhibits will be accepted. Please submit your responses to me at resm@loc.gov and Anna Chauvet at achau@loc.gov.

Sincerely,

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